誘惑の香り

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あの人が纏う、ほのかなグリーンの香りが禁断の道標―

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傷つきながら恋をする男たちの恋愛事情に耽溺せよ

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Make Tonight Special
'The scent of temptation'
plum sorbet in lime tortillas

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Every time I see that person, my mind will start wandering
I'll think too much and I can't control it

rattle
HERE ARE ALL THE FLOWERS YOU ORDERED FOR TODAY!
RIGHT!
IT MUST BE TIRING.
SHINA-KUN, THANKS FOR HELPING ME OUT.
I'D NEVER GET IT DONE BY MYSELF.
OH, NO PROBLEM!
WILL YOU BE WORKING AT THE CAFE TODAY?
YEAH
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MICHIRU-SAN?
IF YOU SEE KANAE,
GIVE MY REGARDS TO HIM.
. SURE THING.

He lives in the building right above the cafe I work at
So he would regularly show up at the cafe for his daily coffee
Takashiki Kanae
Michiru-san's younger brother
SHINA, HAVING MY COFFEE WHILE WATCHING YOU AT WORK IS SUCH A PLEASURE
HERE'S YOUR ORDER, SIR.
HE ALSO LIKES HAVING HIS COFFEE WHILE FLIRTING WITH ME
THANK YOU.
THE SCENT OF THE LILY FLOWER IS ON YOUR BODY

IS MICHIRU DOING WELL THESE DAYS?
ENOUGH ALREADY!
!!
SO, THIS COFFEE ALSO CARRIES THE LIGHT FRAGRANCE OF LILY

EVEN IF SHE'S MY MAIN SELLING
NAH!
ARE YOU TWO TREATING ME LIKE SOME KIND OF MESSENGER? SURE LOOKS THAT WAY.
OF COURSE!
AH.-
AND DID SHE SAY ANYTHING TO YOU?

I CAN'T EVEN LOOK HIM IN THE EYE NOW
IN REALITY I'M SCARED OF FACING KANAE
I SEE
he
I ALWAYS SAY THAT SO SHE WON'T WORRY
KANAE S ACTING RATHER STRANGE THESE DAYS
DO YOU KNOW WHY, SHINA-KUN?
NOT REALLY...

thump
thump
thump
WHAT AM I GETTING SO UPTIGHT ABOUT?!
MAYBE I'M TOO TIRED?
I'M NO GOOD AT COMPLEX HUMAN RELATIONS, SO I OFTEN CHANGE JOBS.
AND I FOUND OUT SOMETHING RECENTLY...
EVERY TIME I'M NEAR KANAE, I'D SMELL THIS STRANGE, INDESCRIBABLE FRAGRANCE.
AND THE FEEL OF THAT HARD YET STRONG GRIP OF HIS SLENDER FINGERS, IS ALSO UNFORGETTABLE
WHEN I WAS WORKING AT MICHIRU-SAN'S, SHE INTRODUCED KANAE TO ME.
BECAUSE I LIVE ALONE!
YOU MUST BE POPULAR WITH THE WOMEN.
clink
WHY ARE YOU ASKING THIS AGAIN...
ALTHOUGH HE COMES HERE EVERYDAY, I'M STILL UNUSED TO FACING HIM

THIS WAY, SIR.
ANY SEATS LEFT?
glance
HOW RARE HE BROUGHT A FRIEND...
WHO'S THAT MAN?
THAT'S WHY I COME HERE EVERY-DAY
CHATTING WITH YOU MAKES ME HAPPY
THIS IS JUST LIKE HIM. SAYING WHATEVER COMES TO HIS MIND
WELCOME
AND ALWAYS LEAVING ME AT A LOSS
so trouble some
MY PR SKILLS TOTALLY SUCK

IS HE A COLLEAGUE?
I'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE
GO REST, SHINA.
THANKS
SUCH TENSION BETWEEN THEM...
WHY IS THERE
shock
WAH!

YO, SHINA! YOU WANNA DO OVER-TIME?
NO WAY! I'm heading out now!
thump
thump
...RE IN THAT KINDA RELATIONSHIP...
DON'T TELL ME...
THE TWO OF THEM...
shut
DON'T TELL ME KANAE IS GAY!
BUT I CAN'T DENY THAT IT BOTHERED ME
creak
I CAN'T BELIEVE I JUST SAW THAT!
Oh my God.

AH!
shut
GEH!
When did he come in?
thump
I'M... I'M LEAVING RIGHT NOW!
SHINA
YOU SAW EVERY-THING, DIDN'T YOU?
L.
thump
THAT MAN AND I
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
thump
YOU SAW IT ALL, DIDN'T YOU?

PLEASE KEEP IT FROM MICHIRU!
step
KANAE!
KA-
!!
ARE YOU THREATENING ME?
ARE YOU...
TAKE IT THAT I'M BEGGING YOU, ALRIGHT?

I BATHED BEFORE I CAME TO WORK!
WHAT THE HELL AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW!?
SNIFF
TODAY .
WHY ISN'T THERE ANY FLOWER SCENT ON YOU?
DON'T JOKE AROUND WITH ME!
DO I LOOK LIKE I'M JOKING?

CHUSS
GEH!!!
KANAE, WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU--
SHINA, YOU REALLY ARE SO ADORABLE-.
SAY WHAT!?

suck
lick
haa
suck
AREN'T YOU WORRIED THAT SOMEONE MIGHT COME IN
THIS IS BAD...
suck
haa
SO WHAT IF SOMEONE WALKS IN ON US.
LIHN.
DON'T MOVE AROUND YOU DON'T WANT TO GET BITTEN
AH!
lick
I CAN'T BELIEVE HE'S DOING THIS...
haa
SHINA...
But the moment I heard him say my name
I was lost
I could just push him away and escape.
HA...
suck
shut

!
drip
SHINA
haa
haa
NN...
N...
HA!
AH!
lick
HAA!
suck
lick
Doing it in such a small space is pretty exciting
Although I've fantasized about doing that kinda thing in this kinda place...
It's always with a woman!
NN...
AH...
Never have I thought about doing this with a man and with Kanae too

AH...
HAA!
CAN I REALLY PRETEND IT WAS ALL A DREAM?
CAN I REALLY FORGET ABOUT IT?
ARE YOU TIRED?
AH, SORRY!
SHINA-KUN...
SHINA-KUN!
I STILL CAN'T FORGET ABOUT LAST NIGHT...
NO... I'M FINE, REALLY...
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
NOT FEELING WELL?
I CAN'T LET MICHIRU-SAN KNOW!
thump
SHINA-KUN?
MICHIRU-SAN, CAN I HAVE THE DAY OFF TOMORROW?
OF COURSE!

shut
!
THAT'S IT EVERY-ONE!
SHINA ARE YOU HAVING THE RUNS? YOU LOOK ALL LETHARGIC
I'M FINE, REALLY!
YEAH...
WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A BREAK TOMORROW?
EH...
ISN'T THAT KANAE!?
GOOD EVENING! YOU'RE OFF FROM WORK?
UH . YEAH...
I WAS PLANNING ON AVOIDING HIM TODAY SO MUCH FOR THAT NOW!

Bow
IT'S BEEN A WHILE...
AH!
SHINA!
AN EMPLOYEE AT THE CAFE I GO TO.
WHO IS HE?
DON'T TELL ME THAT'S THE MAN FROM THAT TIME!
BOTH OF THEM SEEM SO FAMILIAR WITH EACH OTHER...
He used to work here
and he makes great coffee!
Is that so?
thump
I HEARD EVERY-THING!
THAT MAN MUST BE HIS FRIEND!
MICHIRU'S REALLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU... WHY DID YOU STOP WORKING TODAY?
thump
I DIDN'T SEE YOU AT THE CAFE EITHER.
EH?
BUT YOU DO FINALLY GET A DAY OFF TOMORROW!
thump
thump
thump
GOOD NIGHT!
WHAT THE HELL!?

glance
WHY IS HE ACTING SO NORMALLY?
HONESTLY, WHAT AM I REALLY HOPING FOR?
AFTER LAST NIGHT I THOUGHT HE'D HAVE SOMETHING TO S- TO ME. I DIDN'T THINK HE'D BE SO NONCHALANT ABOUT IT
UNGH...
I GUESS HE'S JUST PLAYING AROUND WITH ME
hunt
BUT TO ME IT'S NOT SOMETHING I CAN FORGET EASILY
IT PROBABLY MEANS NOTHING TO HIM

flop
BUT I JUST...
CAN'T BE LIKE THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAN DO IT THEN SAY BYE-BYE LIKE IT'S ALL A GAME... I JUST CAN'T!
SHINA, YOU'RE TOO UPTIGHT!
I CAN'T DEAL WITH IT ANY-MORE!
MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I'M TOO SERIOUS ALL OF MY RELATIONSHIPS IN THE PAST...
NEVER MADE IT PAST THE THIRD DATE
IT MUST BE! IT MUST BE BECAUSE I'M TOO DEMANDING!
That must be it.
I'M ALWAYS AFRAID OF GETTING DUMPED!
slip
HA...
THAT FEELING IS STILL SO REAL...
LINH...
haa...
yo!!
AND THE WAY HE LOOKED...
I CAN'T FORGET IT, EVEN IF I WANT TO!

haa
HIS LIPS, HIS TONGUE
AND THE WAY HE LICKED ME RIGHT THERE
haa
ha...
I FELT LIKE I WAS JUST DROWNING IN THAT UNBELIEVABLE PLEASURE
AH!
SHINA...
haa
THE TONE HE USED, WAS LIKE HE WAS CALLING HIS LOVER.
AT THAT MOMENT, BY MING LASTOR MY EARS
ALL I WANTED WAS TO HUG HIM CLOSE, AND KEEP HEARING HIM CALLING SHINA.
haa
ONLY WHEN I FELT THAT HARD YET STRONG GRIP ON ME DID I DISCOVER,
THAT AWESOME FRAGRANCE COMING FROM...
ONLY LATER I REALIZED I'VE BEEN DEEPLY ATTRACTED TO HIM SINCE I FIRST FOUND OUT HE WAS GAY AND FELT SOMETHING FOR HIM.

haa
tremble
UNGH..
SHINA..
haa
IT'S A SCENT THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM THE FRAGRANCE OF A WOMAN
IT WAS AN AROMA THAT WAS PRIMAL AND DANGEROUS, LIKE A WILD CREATURE AND HE MADE ME FEEL SO...
IN THAT TIME, THAT SCENT, I GOT OFF HIM WAS TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE
I WAS INTOXICATED BY IT
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
sigh
NO GOOD RIGHT NOW ALL I CAN THINK ABOUT IS HIM

How do I curb this feeling..?
HERE YOU GO!
THANK YOU!
Recently I'm searching for a job...
Michiru-san?
AH!
SHINA-KUN!?
Hi! Such a coincidence!

WHAT ABOUT YOUR JOB AT THE CAFE?
I QUIT THIS MONTH
IF YOU CAN'T FIND ANYONE I'LL HELP OUT FOR THE TIME BEING...
IT'S ALL RIGHT...
In the end I resigned from both jobs at Michiru-san's and the cafe
It solves nothing but at least there's some distance between me and him now
IS THAT SO?
IT'S SUCH A PITY...
I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT QUITTING SO SUDDENLY

thump
HE'S JUST TOO SHY TO SAY IT OUTRIGHT.
HE REALLY IS VERY CARING, BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO EXPRESS IT
That's why I introduced you to him!
I'm just running away from Kanae
SHINA, IF YOU'VE STOPPED WORKING AT THE CAFE...
KANAE WILL BE SO LONELY!
DON'T YOU KNOW?
MICHIRU-SAN...
HE LIKES TO GO THERE TO SEE YOU!
NO. NOTHING REALLY!
MICHIRU-SAN, YOU...
WHAT'S WRONG?
CAN IT BE SHE ALREADY KNOWS ABOUT KANAE'S SEXUAL INCLINATION?

That's why I can't be too close with Michiru-san...
Because if I do get too close.
SEE YOU TOMORROW!
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP THIS MONTH!
SURE.
SHINA-KUN...
I'M SORRY...
?
IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE HE SHOWS UP...
thump
WHAT IS THE TIME PLEASE?
Thanks ma'am
9:28 AM

!?
HE'S REALLY HERE...
WELCOME
COFFEE, PLEASE
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT ATTITUDE?
WHY DO I EVEN CARE ABOUT HIS RESPONSES?!
WHAT'S GOING ON? DIDN'T HE USE TO...
GOOD MORNING!
...ALWAYS GREET ME?
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING
DIDN'T I QUIT JUST SO WE'D BE CLEAR ABOUT THINGS?
ISN'T THIS BETTER?

HE LOOKS LIKE HE REALLY DOESN'T WANT TO SEE ME
KANAE!?
AH!

I'M SORRY! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT!?
!
I'M SO SORRY!
HERE'S A TOWEL TO CLEAN IT UP WITH...
I'M REALLY SORRY!
NO NEED FOR THAT, IT'S JUST A FEW DROPS!
...SHINA...
I'M FINE, REALLY.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?
I'M VERY SORRY!
ALL RIGHT THEN I'LL TAKE IT.
MONEY FOR THE LAUN-DRY
PLEASE TAKE IT!
KANAE!
YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE ME, ISN'T THAT IT?
THEN I'LL LEAVE RIGHT AWAY
AH, PLEASE WAIT!
shut

WHAT AM I SO NERVOUS ABOUT?
I . .
NEED TO TALK TO YOU. . .
EH?
I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO MICHIRU-SAN
IF I TALK TO HIM, MY RESOLVE WILL WEAKEN!
DIDN'T I WANT TO ESCAPE FROM HIM? THEN I SHOULD LET HIM GO!
HE'S SO PISSING ME OFF!
clench
YOU CAME HERE ON PURPOSE,
AM I RIGHT?
YOU DON'T GET WHAT I'M FEELING AT ALL!
ding
WOULD YOU STOP BEING SO NERVOUS?
ANYWAY, I'M NOT GOING TO THREATEN YOU AGAIN

SHINA!
AH!
WHY IS THERE A HICKEY HERE?
THAT'S...
IS IT LEFT BY THE MAN WHO CAME TO THE CAFE WITH YOU THAT TIME?
LET ME GO!
THE STATE I AM IN NOW...
...IT'S LIKE I'M TERRIFIED OF LOSING SOMEONE PRECIOUS TO ME!

ding
SHINA!
STOP THIS!
SHINA!
I KNOW, I CAN'T LOSE HIM AGAIN
YOU MUST HAVE MANY SUITORS!
THEN WHY DID YOU COME TO ME?
BUT... DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO...
YOU FIND IT FUN PLAYING AROUND WITH ME!?
SHINA

DON'T DO THIS.
NOT HERE...
AHH...
WHAT IF SOMEONE WALKS IN?
UHN...
pinch
ISN'T THIS JUST LIKE BEFORE?
stroke
AH!
stroke
NN!
THIS IS YOUR FAULT!
YOU SEDUCED ME FIRST!
HAA!

grasp
HA!
AND NOW I JUST CAN'T LET GO!
!!
AH!
STOP IT!
thrust
pull
NN!
haa
IT HURTS
KANAE
squeeze
KANAE!
WHAT DID YOU EXPECT!?
I'M NOT A WOMAN!
RELAX YOUR BODY
I'M GOING IN
haa

I UNDERSTAND...
IF YOU MUST HAVE IT...
LET'S GO BACK TO MY PLACE
WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZING?
I MUST HAVE HURT YOU...
I'M SORRY
ALL RIGHT NOW JUST DO WHATEVER YOU WANT WITH ME

I DON'T WANT TO ESCAPE HIM ANY MORE.
KANAE
PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
I WON'T RUN AWAY FROM YOU AGAIN...
I KNOW I'M TRUE TO KANAE
BECAUSE HE HAS ALREADY CAPTURED MY HEART!
haa
AH!
lick
suck
NNH...
lick
HA...

(lick)
haa
KANAE...
DOES THIS FEEL GOOD?
l.i.c.K
NNA...
AND HERE?
schlup
NN!
DOES IT FEEL GOOD HERE?
HA...
AH!
HNN...
FEELS GOOD...
AH!
(schlup)
schlup

haa
HA!
haa
SLOW-LY
PUT IT IN SLOWLY
SLIP
AHH
thrust
KANAE
I DON'T SLEEP WITH PEOPLE FOR FUN
I KNOW
KANAE!
IT'S BECAUSE I KNOW THAT I
NN
SO
AH!
AH!
haa

KANAE..
AH!
HA!
lick
haa
NN...
AH!
grab
AH!
NN!
HA!
NNA...
AH!
IT'S BECAUSE THERE'RE RUMORS CIRCULATING THE OFFICE...
EH?

SO I'M NOT IN THE BEST OF MOODS
flop
THIS HICKEY WAS LEFT BY MICHIRU.
EH!?
SHE WAS HALF DRUNK YESTERDAY AND DID IT AS A JOKE
I was kept awake all night!
SHE QUARRELED WITH HER FIANCE AND DUMPED HIM IN A FIT OF ANGER
SO SHE CAME CRYING TO ME—
OH, SO IT'S MICHIRU-SAN—
AND I THOUGHT—
ALTHOUGH I'M INTO MEN, IT DOESN'T MEAN I'D ACCEPT JUST ANYONE.
I JUST CAN'T BRING MYSELF TO CONFESS TO THE ONE I LIKE
I GET TOO SHY—
HE MEANS
YOU STILL DON'T GET IT?
I GO TO THAT CAFE EVERYDAY JUST TO SEE YOU!

No wonder she was acting all strange that time.
I'M SORRY
DON'T TELL ME MICHIRU-SAN KNOWS ABOUT IT?
SO IT'S TO SEE ME, THAT HE CAME EVERY DAY!
EXCEPT...
YOU DIDN'T REALIZE IT..
She knew about it!
I WANNA GO BACK THERE TO WORK. CAN I?
TO BOTH JOBS AT THE SAME TIME?
ARE THERE STILL VACANCIES?
GOTTA TRY!
When he embraced me, I could smell that intoxicating scent on him
Once I knew, I couldn't resist
Because this is the scent of love!
誘惑の香り☆END

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I'VE RESIGNED FOR SO LONG,
I REALLY DON'T WANT TO GO BACK THERE...
click
WHAT HAPPENED?
PLEASE, JUST THIS ONE TIME
ALRIGHT
HOW ABOUT TOMORROW AT ELEVEN?
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO, JUST REJECT HIM
IT'S NOT YOUR PROBLEM ANYWAY...
MY REPLACEMENT CAN'T HANDLE THE JOB,
AND HE NEEDS MY HELP
IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN A MONTH SINCE I'VE QUIT HE CAN'T ADAPT TO THE WORK SO HE CAME TO ME

IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR AGREEING
LIVE WITH IT!
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT?!
Always helping when people go to her.
It's just like her.
YOU'RE RIGHT
BUT IT'D GIVE THE BOSS A LOT OF TROUBLE IF I DON'T HELP.
shut
hah
HONESTLY! NOW MY MOOD IS ALL GONE
YOU'LL BE LATE IF YOU DON'T LEAVE NOW.
I'M GOING
I'M GONE!
ISN'T SHINA STOPPING BY LATER?
ding-dong
GOOD EVENING
LET'S HAVE DINNER TOGETHER
IT'S HARD ENOUGH GETTING MICHIRU TO COOK
MICHIRU IS COOKING FOR US.
AND FINDING THE PERFECT EXCUSE TO INVITE HIM!
REALLY?
WHEN'S A GOOD TIME?

shut
KANAE...?!
!!
NH...
WHAT'S GOING ON WHERE'S M-MICHIRU-SAN?
HAA!
SHE WENT HOME
BUT SHE DID THE DINNER BEFORE SHE LEFT
EH?
HUH?!
HEY!

KANAE
WAIT
WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?
TONIGHT, LET ME DO IT.
YOU JUST HAVE TO LIE THERE!
HUH?
YOU
lick
HEY
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
YOU'RE ACTING ALL WEIRD!

grab
UNH...
BECAUSE
(tremble)
WEIRD?
YOU THINK SO?
shiver
LOOK AT YOU
YOU'RE SO HARD AFTER JUST A TOUCH
ooh
lick
SO RESPONSIVE!
AH
ooh
suck
suck
NH!
HAA
suck
suck

WA-WAIT A MINUTE...!
DON'T YOU WANT IT?
Gya!
slide
KA-KANAE-SAN!

I'M JUST MORE USED TO BEING THE TOP
SORRY...

YOU DON'T WANT TO GO ON...?
IT'S NOT THAT!
I JUST—

I GUESS YOU CAN'T TAKE BEING HELD BY A MAN AFTER-ALL
I SEE—IF YOU DON'T WANT THIS

creak
I APOL-OGIZE
I WON'T FORCE YOU
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT YOU!
DON'T GET MAD
KANAE-SAN!
LET'S HAVE DINNER NOW.
KANAE-SAN
ARE YOU MAD AT ME?
I DON'T WANNA FORCE YOU
I KNOW YOU'RE AN ORDINARY MAN AND DON'T WANT TO BE TAKEN.
OF COURSE I'M AN ORDINARY MAN...
AH... WHY DO YOU SAY THAT?
I'M NOT MAD.
BUT...

BEFORE YOU,
I DIDN'T THINK I'D EVER BE WITH ANOTHER MAN
BUT IF I DESPISED YOU, I WOULDN'T HAVE GONE OUT WITH YOU!
THESE ARE MY TRUE FEELINGS
BUT I GUESS YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND THEM
SHINA
SOMETIMES,
I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING
FOR NOW,
I THINK I SHOULD LEAVE
SHUT

NEVER EVER THOUGHT OF THIS HOW?
IT'S GREAT SEEING YOU TODAY
WHEN YOU GOT TRANS-FERRED
THERE WERE SO MANY RUMORS ABOUT IT
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
I'M SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR HELP, TAKAZUKI-SAN!
I WAS REALLY TOO TARDY ABOUT IT MY APOLOGIES
I'M HELPING YOU THIS TIME
BUT FROM NOW ON, PLEASE HANDLE THINGS YOURSELF
I DIDN'T TAKE IT TO HEART!
DON'T IMAGINE THINGS!
EVEN SO I DID GET TRANS-FERRED IT'S A FACT THAT HAS BECOME REALITY
AND FRANKLY IT'S BEEN ON MY MIND SINCE

ALL THIS TIME MY PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN EXCELLENT SO INEVITABLY IT LED TO JEALOUSY FROM MY COLLEAGUES.
TAKAZUKI JUST CLINCHED A MAJOR DEAL AGAIN
MANY IN THE COMPANY HATE THE SIGHT OF ME GOSSIPING BEHIND MY BACK SLANDERING ME
THAT'S WHY I HAVEN'T MADE ANY REAL FRIENDS AT ALL IT'S LIKE I WAS ISOLATED
WHO KNOWS MAYBE HE EVEN USED HIS BODY IN EXCHANGE!
IT'S THAT PRETTY FACE OF HIS!

IT TURNED OUT SOMEONE SENT AN ANONYMOUS EMAIL IT BECAME GOSSIP FODDER AMONGST MY COLLEAGUES AND I GOT TRANSFERRED
THEN ONE DAY EVERYONE WAS BEHAVING STRANGELY
GOOD MORNING!

EVERYONE'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS ME CHANGED COMPLETELY
EVEN THOSE I WAS CLOSER TO AVOIDED ME LIKE PLAGUE IT LEFT ME DEEPLY HURT
SOMEONE SECRETLY TOOK PICTURES OF MY SEX LIFE
EVEN PICTURES OF MY VISITING LOVE MOTELS WITH MEN WERE POSTED

BECAUSE I'M GAY I WAS ALWAYS AFRAID OF PEOPLE FINDING OUT
BUT NOW THAT IT'S COME TO THIS I COULDN'T STAY ON ANY LONGER.
SO I HANDED IN MY RESIGNATION LETTER THE HEAD PERSUADED ME TO STAY AND WAS KIND ENOUGH TO TRANSFER ME AWAY FROM ALL THE GOSSIP
IT JUST MAKES ME SICK. THAT PERVERT
JUST BECAUSE OF A BETTER TRACK RECORD HE ACTS LIKE HE'S SOME HOT SHOT!
I'M TOO BUSY NOW
I'LL CALL YOU LATER, BYE!
ピッ
SILENCE
HEY IT'S KANAE
ARE YOU FREE TODAY?
TODAY?
WHY THE SUDDEN DATE?
PLEASE JUST STAY WITH ME FOR A WHILE

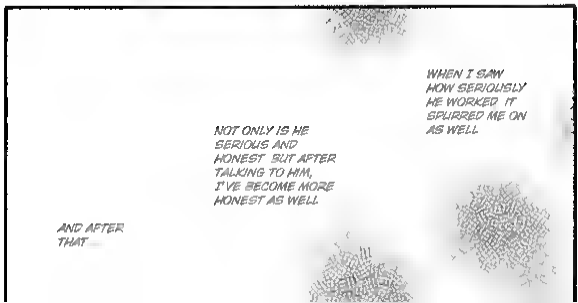
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
At that time, I didn't respond to him.
YOU'RE GONNA FREEZE TO DEATH OUT HERE!
ARE YOU UNWELL?
LEAVE ME ALONE!
His voice was full of sincerity and concern.
QUIT ACTING LIKE THAT—
Just go home already.
YOU'RE NOISY!
GOD, Girl
JUST LET ME FREEZE TO DEATH. IT'S FINE!

I thought he was such a busybody
staying with me in the rain patting my back to make me feel better
I was really touched
HEY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
UGH!
YOU REALLY ARE ANNOYING... I'M FINE I JUST DRANK TOO MUCH
I FEEL BETTER AFTER THROWING UP THANK YOU
Later
IT'S ALRIGHT, MY PLACE IS JUST NEARBY
HERE TAKE MY UMBRELLA!
OKAY, I'M LEAVING

!
THAT VOICE...
O.O
WELCOME
clink
CAN I HAVE YOUR ORDER, SIR?
I'd never thought I'd meet him again so soon.
SO HIS NAME IS SHINA...
but when I heard his voice, I remembered him all over again.
I'd forgotten him completely.
COFFEE PLEASE

FAR-DON?
WHEN SOME-THING YOU WANT IS RIGHT BEFORE YOU, YOU'D GET IT BY HOOK OR BY CROOK.
REGARD-LESS OF CONSE-QUENCES
IS THAT SO?
FROM THEN ON I WAS AT THE CAFE HE WORKS AT EVERYDAY
MEN ARE PRAGMATIC CREA-TURES

He must think I'm a strange customer
the way I always chat with him.
ACTUALLY MY SISTER HAS A FLORAL SHOP...
EH?
WELL YEAH, I LIKE FLOWERS
SHINA-KUN DO YOU LIKE FLOWERS?


WHEN I SAW HOW SERIOUSLY HE WORKED IT SPURRED ME ON AS WELL
NOT ONLY IS HE SERIOUS AND HONEST BUT AFTER TALKING TO HIM, I'VE BECOME MORE HONEST AS WELL
AND AFTER THAT...

SHINA-KUN?
OH, HUH? SORRY!
LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO RAIN
GIVE ME A HAND, SHINA-KUN
drip
drip
Open
LET ME HANDLE THE HEAVIER ONES
SO MUCH FOR THE WEATHER FORE-CAST
IT SAID IT'D RAIN IN THE EVENING!
I DON'T THINK KANAE BROUGHT HIS UMBRELLA
rattle
rattle
rattle

THANKS FOR THE HELP
1
THEN, I'M HEADING OUT
rush
rush
HE'S GOING TO BE DRENCHED
THIS IS SO TROUBLE-SOME
EXACTLY
He's always like that
BUT IT'S NOT LIKE KANAE TO DO THAT. HE'D PROBABLY SHARE SOMEONE ELSE'S
I THOUGHT IT MIGHT RAIN EARLIER TODAY, SO I BROUGHT AN EXTRA
SHINA-KUN DID YOU BRING YOURS?
YEAH
thunk
I'M CLOSING SHOP EARLY TODAY
THE REST I CAN HANDLE YOU CAN GO HOME NOW
blink

KANAE-SAN!
SHINA
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I HEARD FROM MICHIRU
THAT YOU DIDN'T BRING AN UMBRELLA
AND YOU CAME ALL THE WAY HERE TO BRING ME ONE?
SIGH
I WANTED TO CALL YOU,
BUT I DIDN'T WANNA DISTURB YOU
YOU KNEW WHAT TIME I GET OFF?
I JUST CAME EARLIER AND WAITED

I'M SO AFRAID I'LL HURT HIM
BECAUSE HE'S SO IMPORTANT TO ME, I DON'T WANT TO HURT HIM
IT'S NOT LIKE I HATE YOU...
BUT KANAE-SAN—
DO YOU BELIEVE ME?
SORRY ABOUT LAST TIME
I THOUGHT ABOUT IT,
AND I'M AN IDIOT FOR NOT GETTING THE REAL MEANING BEHIND YOUR WORDS
I'M SORRY FOR MAKING YOU UPSET
YES—
AND I'M AT FAULT TOO

HEY
ISN'T THAT TAKAZUKI-SAN?
TAKA-MATSU-SAN
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE YOUR TRANSFER!
I THOUGHT YOU QUIT
THAT YOUR FRIEND?
MUST BE GAY TOO
I HEARD YOU PICKED ON TACHIKAWA, AND HE WENT CRYING TO THE BOSS.
YOU'VE GOT SOME BALLS!
I GUESS YOU'D HAVE TO ACCOUNT TO BUCHOU NOW, MAYBE THROW IN A BLOWJOB TOO.
Heh heh
WHA-
SHINA
clench

I DON'T HAVE THE TIME FOR THIS BULLSHIT EXCUSE ME.
SHINA, LET'S GO!
YEAH
HN!
NEXT TIME I'D BET YOU'D SLEEP YOUR WAY TO A PROMOTION!
ha ha ha
AREN'T YOU PISSED AT ALL?!
HE WENT SO FAR...!!!
HE'S AS BLUNT AS IT GETS.
WHY STOOP TO HIS LEVEL?
BUT.
...SHINA.

I'M SO USELESS
YOU WERE HUMILIATED LIKE THAT AND I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING!
SHINA
WHY ARE YOU APOL-OGIZING TO ME?!
HE SHOULD BE DOING IT!
I'M SORRY
YOU'RE STILL ANGRY?
DAMNIT!
THANK YOU.

THAT TIME HE WAS SO FURIOUS HE WAS SHAKING ALL OVER
HOW DOES A DRINK SOUND?
DON'T BE ANGRY LET'S GO FOR DINNER

WHENEVER HE RECALLED THE INSULTS HE'D START RANTING AGAIN
LATER, I ENDED UP COMFORTING HIM INSTEAD

AH, THE RAIN STOPPED.

HAVING YOU IS ENOUGH FOR ME
I LOVE SEEING YOUR SMILE

THERE WAS SADNESS IN HIS EYES

I THINK I'M A LITTLE DRUNK
BEEN A WHILE SINCE I DRANK
pant
WHAT IS IT?
UH, NOTHING
KANAE-SAN
UHNN
WAS IT JUST TO SEE ME
THAT YOU WENT TO THE CAFE?
stare

IT'S YOUR FAULT
YOU DIDN'T SAY A WORD!
I COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO...
DID YOU REALIZE ONLY NOW?
...OH!
THAT'S RIGHT
KANAE-SAN?
YOU STILL MAD?
THAT TIME I USED FORCE ON YOU

OH, REALLY
WE HAVE TO TURN A CORNER AHEAD.
YEAH
CAN I?
I WANT TO HOLD YOUR HAND LIKE THIS
grasp
IF YOU EXIST GOD, PLEASE LISTEN TO MY WISH
YOUR HOME IS JUST AHEAD?
I FEEL LIKE RIGHT NOW WE'VE CONNECTED SOMEHOW
PLEASE LET THIS BLISS STAY JUST A WHILE LONGER.
YEAH
THAT'S RIGHT.

I WANT TO HOLD ON SO TIGHTLY TO HIS HAND. IF ONLY THIS MOMENT CAN BE FROZEN IN TIME.
HAA NH
IT'S TOO CRAMPED. I CAN'T MOVE.
LINNN – CAN'T DO
WELL, WHO'S THE ONE WHO WANTS TO BATHE TOGETHER?
You're really drunk! You can't even stand!
IT'S ALREADY CRAMPED WITH JUST MYSELF!
AHAHAHA!
IT'S REALLY TOO CRAMPED!
KANAE-SAN,
I'VE
BEEN THINKING

I MEAN, CAN I REALLY PUT IT INSIDE YOU?
WHAT?
blurrrsh
DO YOU WANT IT THAT WAY?
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?! THE LAST TIME YOU WERE SO AGGRESSIVE!
SO I GOT SERIOUS TOO
OH—
AHAHA-HAHA! OF COURSE!
COME INSIDE ME
HOLD ME TIGHTLY.
Kiss
CAN I?
JUST HURRY. DON'T MAKE ME WAIT!
HURRY—
I'M HAPPY.
JUST HEARING THIS FROM YOU IS ENOUGH.
I'M SORRY.
I WAS A LITTLE SHOCKED
Kiss
BUT, THANK YOU—

haa
suck
suck
suck
suck
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN YOU SO TURNED ON.
I DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD BE LIKE THIS.
NH...
AHH
haa
haa
WHEN I SEE YOU LIKE THIS, KANAE-SAN
IT'S HARD TO RESTRAIN MYSELF
AHH
haa
suck
lick
splish
suck
LOOK I'M ALREADY LIKE THIS
SHINA ...
splish
splish
KANAE-SAN, YOU'RE NOT RESISTING EITHER
I COULD PUT IT IN SO EASILY

rattle
NH
dm
splish
splish
splish
DO YOU... WANT IT THAT WAY?
THAT'S OKAY. I CAN-
Hey.
I MEAN, CAN I REALLY PUT IT INSIDE YOU?
HAA NH
schlip
SHINA!
tremble
NHH!
schlip
AH... AH!
shake
schlip

rattle
NH HAA
I... I CAN'T
haa
I CAN'T WAIT ANY LONGER.
CAN I PUT IT IN?
AH..
like
like
push
I SLOWLY
LIKE THIS...?
AHHH...
HUR.. RY...
click
AH... HAA...
HAA...
haa
haa
haa

splish
splish
NH
AHH
AH
HA
NH
NH
DOES IT HURT?
AHH
HAA
FEELS GOOD
AHH
KANAE-SAN
MO
RE
MORE

We made love in the too-cramped shower.
And continued under the sheets.
Until we were both exhausted.
I LOVE YOU
I LOVE YOU SO MUCH
NHH
ONE NIGHT WHEN THERE'S NO ONE AROUND WE'D HOLD HANDS AND STROLL THE STREETS
HE WAS SO TIRED HE FELL RIGHT ASLEEP WATCHING HIM I THOUGHT TO MYSELF

I WANT TO STAY WITH HIM LIKE THIS FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES
I'D TREASURE HIM WITH ALL MY HEART
HOLDING HIS HAND, I MADE A WISH TO GOD AGAIN
君と手をつないで✤END

星の降る夜

TOSHIYA!
SORRY I'M LATE
KANAE-SAN
YOU MUST HAVE WAITED LONG
IT'S NO PROBLEM.
I'VE JUST ARRIVED ANYWAY

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE'VE GONE ON A DATE
SORRY LATELY I'VE HAD TO WORK A LOT OF OVERTIME ...
I've been seeing him for a while now
Kanae, my lover is older than me and a salaryman.
YOU STILL HAVE TO HELP OUT AT MICHIRU'S SO IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT
WHY DON'T YOU JUST TAKE LEAVE FROM HER?
OKAY ...
IT'S NEAR THE SHOP, SO WE SEE EACH OTHER OFTEN WE GO ON DATES EVERY WEEKEND
HE LIVES IN THE STOREY ABOVE THE CAFE IN WHICH I WORK.
KANAE'S SISTER, MICHIRU-SAN IS THE OWNER OF A FLORAL SHOP
JUST THAT, WE USUALLY SEE EACH OTHER ONLY AT NIGHT
NOT THAT I REALLY MIND

I KNOW THAT HE FEELS LONELY ON NIGHTS WHEN I'M NOT THERE
LET'S GO BACK TO THE SAME SHOP
IN THE DAY WE'RE JUST LIKE OTHER COUPLES WALKING SHOPPING
OH? IS THAT TOSHI?
MASARU !?
NO WORK TODAY?
EH?
?
THEY'RE MY EX-HIGH SCHOOL CLASS-MATES
FANCY MEETING YOU HERE! WANNA TALK OR SOMETHING?
AH, KANAE-SAN, SORRY ABOUT THAT
GO RIGHT AHEAD

OH, SHINA, GOT A GIRLFRIEND YET?
KEEP IT DOWN, WILL YOU
WE'RE MEETING SOME RIGHT NOW!
IT'S GREAT SEEING YOU! THE CHICKS ARE GONNA LOVE IT!
CRAP
WHAT ABOUT THAT CHICK FROM BEFORE?
WEREN'T YOU REALLY INTO HER?
SORRY I'M NOT GOING OUT WITH THAT PERSON
EHHH!?
SOMEONE ELSE? WHO!?
Why didn't you say so earlier! Hahaha
nudge nudge
OH WELL! BRING HER ALONG NEXT TIME!
YOU ARE SOME-THING!
OLDER THAN YOU?
DID YOU GET HER? RIGHT, GIMME YOUR NUMBER
I'LL CALL YOU SOMETIME
AND HERE I WAS ALL WORRIED FOR YOU!!
You just HAD to bring that up.

KANAE-SAN JUST SMILES SO BIG AFTER ALL THAT HAPPENED!?

thump
BY THE WAY, WHO'S THAT GUY WITH YOU?
Never seen him before.

H...HE'S A REGULAR CUSTOMER AT THE CAFE!
hahaha
NEXT TIME WE CAN ALL GO OUT OR SOMETHING!
OH REALLY?
awhhgh!

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, KANAE-SAN...
smile
IT'S ALL RIGHT
LET'S GO!
I WASN'T PLANNING TO TELL HIM...I'M SCREWED!

shove
haa
KANAE SAN!
DON'T GET IT WRONG!
lick
GET WHAT WRONG?
IT'S
THE CHICK HE WAS TALKING ABOUT I'M NOT SEEING HER ANYMORE
Ahh
Unh
REALLY?
THERE WERE ALSO WOMEN WHEN I WENT TO THE KARAOKE WITH MY COLLEAGUES ALL WE DID WAS SING AND EAT!
HOH
REALLY
chew chew
I'M NOT ANGRY.
WHAT ARE YOU SO DEFENSIVE ABOUT?
Unh
haa
Poke Poke
YOU'RE DOING THIS TO ME, AND YOU SAY YOU'RE NOT ANGRY?
Like hell you aren't!
This

cre
ak
I'M JUST UPSET YOU DIDN'T EVEN TELL ME...
SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO KEEP IT FROM YOU...
I JUST FORGOT TO...
I CAN'T POSSIBLY STOP YOU.
YOU HAVE THE FREEDOM TO SOCIALIZE.
SORRY
I'M JUST BEING JEALOUS
I'M NOT TRYING TO KEEP YOU FROM YOUR FRIENDS
BUT,
WHEN YOU'RE WITH THEM.

I DON'T HAVE THE CONFI-DENCE
KANAE-SAN...
THERE IS SO MUCH GOOD ABOUT YOU,
I'M AFRAID YOU'LL BE SNATCHED UP BY WOMEN
mythe
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO BIND YOU TO ME
I'M AFRAID OF LOSING YOU...
IT'S FINE...
LINH...
slide
slide
!!
DON'T GO SO FAST...
KANAE-SAN WAIT...

NH
SO TIGHT
haa
haa
AH
HAA
slide
Splish
I WANT YOU SO MUCH RIGHT NOW
I CAN'T HOLD BACK!
Splish
fall
KANAE-SAN!
!!

LINGH!
NH
JUST WATCH ME!
DON'T MOCK MY PROW-RESS!
I'M ON FIRE!
AUNH!
QUICK
UNTIE ME!
I DON'T HAVE THE STRENGTH
haa
haa
!
AHH
SHINA
spent

toss toss
Hurts like hell
fw
Wow
AMAZING!
He snapped it!
riiiip
grip
KANAE-SAN...
DO YOU REMEMBER MY WORDS?

AHH...
PLEASE DON'T DOUBT ME EVER.
IF I'VE MADE YOU FEEL INSECURE, I'LL WORK ON IT.
SO PLEASE BELIEVE IN ME!
I ONLY WANT TO KISS YOU, I ONLY WANT TO MAKE LOVE TO YOU!
ONLY YOU, KANAE-SAN...

BELIEVE ME!
YEAH
FORGIVE ME

I NEVER THOUGHT KANAE-SAN WOULD SHOW SUCH AN EXPRESSION
IT REALLY SHOCKED ME

HE'S REALLY STRAIGHT-FORWARD
HIS FACE IS SO EXPRESSIVE THESE DAYS, IT MAKES ME REALLY HAPPY

MAN, DOES HE GET JEALOUS EASILY!
HE WAS AFRAID I'D HAVE A CHANGE OF HEART
ALL THIS TIME, HE'S ONLY BEEN INTERESTED IN MEN SO HE WAS AGGRESSIVE WHEN HE CAME ONTO ME

WELCOME!
GOOD MORNING
MORNING
Shush
Glance
GEEZ, HE'S AS COMPOSED AS EVER!

BUT NO MATTER WHEN... HE'S AS ALLURING AS EVER
SHINAAA?
ACK! SORRY!
HE'S SO DIFFERENT IN THE DAY AND AT NIGHT
DAMN MY MIND IS IN THE GUTTER NOW! HE AND I...
AT NIGHT HE'S...
HUH?
I'M NOT...
WHAT ARE YOU FANTA-SIZING ABOUT?!
WHAT'S WITH THAT GRIN?
HERE'S YOUR ORDER.
rattle rattle
EXCUSE ME
CAN I...

I'LL WAIT...
SHALL WE GO FOR DINNER?
SURE.
WHEN ARE YOU FINISHED TODAY?
I'M... AROUND SEVEN...
WHAT IS IT?
WHENEVER HE TALKS TO ME DURING WORK IT MAKES ME VERY NERVOUS

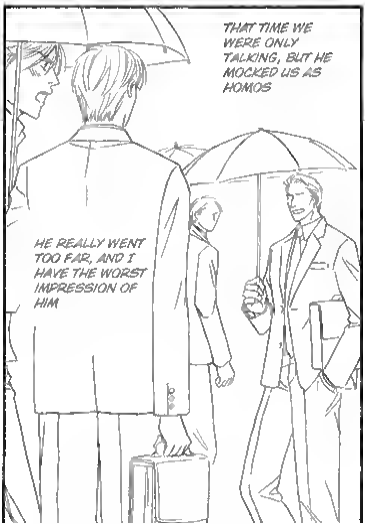
BUT I FEAR PEOPLE FINDING OUT BUT IS WHAT SHOULD TO
MY LOVE FOR KANAE SAN NO MATTER DAY OR NIGHT WA NEVER CHAN
I'M AFRAID OF MY COLLEAGUES FINDING OUT
I'M REALLY WORRIED I DIDN'T THINK I COULD BE SO UPTIGHT

I'M REALLY SORRY.
I KEPT YOU WAITING.
NOT AT ALL!
YOU HAVE TO GET UP EARLY TOMOR-ROW?
NOPE. TOMOR-ROW'S A REST DAY FOR THE SHOP. SO I ONLY HAVE TO DROP BY THE CAFE
REALLY?
THEN I'LL WAIT FOR YOU.
OKAY
I'm afraid if our relation-ship comes out into the open, it'd be affected.
When I think of this, I get so anxious
ACTUALLY, THERE'S THIS PLACE I REALLY WANT TO GO TO.
hmm
WHAT IS IT, KANAE-SAN?
?

MOTEL
MOTEL
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
ARE WE THERE YET?
HEY... KANAE-SAN
look
LET'S GO! This way.
MAYBE THIS STREET WILL HAVE ONE?
ONE WITH BETTER FACILITIES
LET'S FIND A FANCY MOTEL,
AHAHAHA... I DON'T REALLY CARE...
SOON
Just a bit further!
DON'T YOU WANT A CHANGE IN THE AMBIENCE?
LATELY WE'VE BEEN MEETING AT HOME
KA-KANAE-SAN! THERE ARE PEOPLE!
SO WHAT? JUST RELAX, WOULD YOU!
AND I THOUGHT YOU LIKE GOING OUT TO PLAY
OHH?
WHO SAID THAT?!

WHAT'S WRONG ?
KANA...
...TAKA-MATSU SAN ?
AHHH!!!
TA-TAKA-SUKI!
EH?
YOU'RE THAT MORON FROM BEFORE !!

pissed
The next day
rattle


THAT TIME WE WERE ONLY TALKING, BUT HE MOCKED US AS HOMOS
HE REALLY WENT TOO FAR, AND I HAVE THE WORST IMPRESSION OF HIM

DAMMIT! WHY HIM AGAIN!
LAST TIME WE MET HIM HE INSULTED KANAE IT STILL MAKES MY BLOOD BOIL.

SHINA, YOU'RE NOT TO RAKE UP THE PAST PROMISE ME THAT
SINCE HE PUT IT THAT WAY, I'LL PLAY NICE
glance
ONE OF OUR COUNTER STAFF
THE WOMAN LAST NIGHT—
BUT, TAKAMATSU AREN'T YOU ALREADY MARRIED TO ISHIZUKA-BUCHOU'S DAUGHTER?
HE'S HAVING AN AFFAIR?
AHH, NO.
WE WERE JUST CHATTING!
upset
upset
I STILL LOVE MY WIFE!
I WAS JUST PLAYING AROUND WITH THAT WOMAN
YEAH RIGHT
IF YOU WERE TO DIVORCE YOUR WIFE,
I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU'D STAY VERY LONG IN THE OFFICE.
SUP

Geez.
ALRIGHT NAME YOUR PRICE
BUT IN RETURN, LAST NIGHT NEVER HAP-PENED
DON'T SAY THAT...I'M NOT THAT DESPICA-BLE
I WON'T LEAK IT OUT!
LIKE I SHOULD BELIEVE YOU!
DON'T YOU HATE MY GUTS?
NOW YOU'VE GOT A HOLD ON ME. ISN'T IT PAYBACK TIME?
DON'T THINK EVERYONE IS LIKE YOU.
I, FOR ONE, AM ABOVE THAT
I'M DONE WITH THIS TALK
REST ASSURED I WON'T TELL ANYONE
Pissed
WHO KNOWS IF YOU'RE JUST WAITING TO SCREW ME OVER?!
HN, YOU THINK I'M A FOOL? YOU SAY YOU'LL KEEP THIS SECRET
Pissed
Pissed

!!
I'M WARNING YOU STAY AWAY FROM ME
FAGGOTS LIKE YOU, JUST WANT A PIECE OF ANY MALE AROUND RIGHT?
I DON'T WANNA GET SOME WEIRD SICK-NESS FROM YOU
WHO THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!
DON'T JUDGE OTHERS WITH YOUR OWN PREJUDICE!
SHINA!
HOW DARE YOU SAY THAT WHEN YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HIM!
YOU'RE REALLY PUSHING IT...

smack
HE HUMILIATED YOU!
HOW CAN YOU JUST SWALLOW IT?!
DIDN'T YOU PROMISE ME?
I'M SORRY, KANAE-SAN...

HE'S YOUR CUSTOMER
NO MATTER WHAT, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT TO HIM!
You should know that!
I KNOW... BUT I JUST COULDN'T TAKE IT LYING DOWN.
BUT I DON'T WANT HIM...
TO SAY SUCH HURTFUL THINGS ABOUT YOU
IT WAS A STUPID THING, BUT I KNOW YOU DID IT FOR ME
Hah
THAT'S WHY,
I'M REALLY HAPPY
KANAE-SAN...

AHH...
HE NEVER TOLD ANYONE.
HE SAID HE WOULDN'T SAY A WORD
nh
lick
lick
SO WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?
lick
HE'D TAKE IT THAT IT NEVER HAPPENED
THAT'S GOOD...
sigh
NN
lick
YOUR TEMPER'S GETTING WORSE...
splish
splish
THESE DAYS... I THINK...
lick

WAA
WHO'S FAULT IS THAT...
AH..
CAN I PUT IT IN NOW...
NH...
(plish)
(plish)
NHH
(plish)
UNH...
haa
AH...
HAA... AHH.

haa
lick
I CAN'T
WAIT...
lick
haa
AHH
SHINA
tremble
AHH
AHH!

BECAUSE WE WERE FOUND OUT

I TOLD THE MANAGER ALL ABOUT KANAE-SAN AND MYSELF. I THOUGHT I'D BE FIRED

WITHOUT BEING FORCEFUL ABOUT IT THERE'D STILL BE THOSE WHO'D ACCEPT US

DID YOU MAKE A WISH?
I CAN'T SAY! OR IT WON'T COME TRUE
HMPH
SO MEAN, SHINA!
SEE?!
SHOOT-ING STARS
WHERE?
THEY'RE GONE
LATER, WE WENT OUT AT NIGHT
WE HELD HANDS WHILE WATCHING THE STARS
EH THERE RE NO MORE STARS.
THEY CAN'T BE SEEN FROM HERE!
CAREFUL
Watch your step
NEXT TIME, LET'S GO STAR-GAZING!
NO MATTER WHEN KANAE S ALWAYS IMPOSSIBLY ADORABLE
WHAT DO YOU KNOW, NIGHT DATES ARE PRETTY GOOD!
UHN SOUNDS GOOD!
TAKAMATSU-SAN GOT DEMOTED AND POSTED OVER-SEAS
NO KID-DING!
HIS AFFAIR WAS DIS COVERED THAT'S WHY!
星の降る夜✧END

I've always wanted to become an adult,
so that I can meet that person.
大人になっても

THERE'S THIS PRETTY GIRL WHO WORKS IN THE SAME OFFICE I GO TO,
AND SHE SAID THAT SHE LIKED ME.
What should I do?
glance
WHAT DO YOU THINK, TOKIWA-SAN?
I THINK YOU SHOULD ACCEPT HER
laugh
BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY FEELINGS FOR HER.
I'm always talking to Tokiwa-san.
We're good friends and occasionally we go out and have a cup of tea or two.
I THINK SHE'S
PRETTY INTERESTED IN YOU HIROTO

Rather than going out and dating girls, I like spending my time with him instead
But I can't say that to his face.
YEAH?
I'VE GROWN TALLER?
YOU'VE GROWN TALLER,
YOU'RE NOW EVEN TALLER THAN I AM
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU SHOULD DO THEN, HIROTO?
BUT-...
YOU DON'T NEED TO!
I KNOW EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING WILL CHANGE, BUT I'M NOT TO READY FOR IT YET.
TOKIWA-SAN!
OH, HIROTO'S HERE TOO!
OH YEAH HIROTO, IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY NEXT WEEK, ISN'T IT?
ONCE I BECOME AN ADULT, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF CHANGES
WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR A PRESENT?

SATORU
SORRY I'M LATE
THAT'S OKAY
IT GAVE ME SOME TIME TO TALK TO HIROTO
OH!
HIROTO, DO YOU WANT TO COME ALONG?
We're going to a movie!
I CAN'T
I HAVE TO MEET SOMEONE LATER
rattle
WELL... OKAY
HIROTO, DO YOU HAVE ENOUGH MONEY ON YOU?
HAVE A LITTLE BIT MORE POCKET MONEY ON YOU WHEN YOU'RE OUT WITH FRIENDS
...

WHEN I WAS STILL IN MIDDLE SCHOOL,
I CAN'T FORGET THE NAME HE CALLED OUT TO ME
TOKIWA-SAN'S VOICE CALLED OUT TO ME
NAOKI!
I'M NOT NAOKI...
NH
BYE BYE!
I'LL SEE YOU NEXT TIME
BYE...
I DON'T WANT HIS MONEY...
TOKIWA-SAN'S BEEN BUSY LATELY...

SORRY
YOU TWO LOOK SO SIMILAR.
AH...
I REALLY LOOK LIKE HIM?
YOU LOOK A LOT LIKE
MY FRIEND
HE SAID HE WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO MEET HIS FRIEND AGAIN.
HE WIPED HIS TEARS, AND WITH A SAD LOOK, THIS FACE HE SMILED AT ME...
I ONLY SAW THIS PHOTOGRAPH ONCE, AND I THOUGHT THAT THESE TWO PEOPLE SHARED A REALLY GOOD RELATIONSHIP...
THAT WAS BECAUSE
THAT MAN IN THE PHOTO LOOKED LIKE HE WAS HAPPY WHEN HE WAS WITH HIS FRIEND.
MY EYES COULDN'T LET GO OF THAT SMILE.
WOULD YOU MIND
STAYING WITH ME FOR A WHILE?

EVER SINCE THEN I'VE BEEN WITH TOKIWA-SAN
I KNEW THAT HE WAS A GOOD GUY, AND HE WAS NO THREAT TO ME, SO HE SOON KNEW WHERE MY HOUSE WAS
I LIKED HIM, SO WE BECAME FRIENDS
rattle
BECAUSE EVEN AFTER ALL THIS TIME, I STILL WANT TO SEE HIM ALL THE TIME,
I THINK GOD ARRANGED OUR MEETING,
I WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT HIM
SATORU, WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS GOING OUT WITH TOKIWA-SAN?
IS IT BECAUSE IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH MONEY—?
haa
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIS BODY
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN THINKING LIKE THIS
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT
shut

I JUST WANT TO SEE HIM,
TALK TO HIM MORE
HOO
HAAH
JUST THAT...
TOKIWA-SAN IS A VERY SPECIAL MAN
HOO
THEN WHY?
HIROTO, DO YOU LIKE HIM?
I... I...
GEEZ, MUST BE LOVE
SATORU IS LIKE ME, WE GOT PICKED UP BY TOKIWA-SAN WHEN WE LEFT OUR RESPECTIVE HOMES
SO AM I,
SO ARE YOU, TOO
TOKIWA-SAN ALWAYS SAID, THAT HE WAS ALONE IN THIS WORLD

Hah
Heh
HIROTO
I REALLY DO LIKE YOU
(kiss)
SATORU
WE SHOULDN'T KEEP THIS UP
SATORU LOOKS A BIT LIKE TOKIWA-SAN.
I ALWAYS
PRETEND THAT SATORU IS TOKIWA-SAN AND I'M HAVING SEX WITH HIM.
Slish
Slich
Slich
Slich
NH
UNH...
Haa
AHHH
NHH!

I PUT THE IMAGE OF HIM AND SATORU TOGETHER AT FIRST I THOUGHT I WOULDN'T BE MEETING HIM AGAIN
EVERYTIME I MEET TOKIWA-SAN,
AH NH'
SO GOOD
THIS IS GREAT
AHH'
NHHH'
AHH
AHH
I ALWAYS TREATED HIM LIKE A GOOD FRIEND,
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW WHAT HE THOUGHT OF ME I WANT TO KNOW WHAT HE'S THINKING
BUT WHEN I SEE HIM, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY

I REALLY CARE ABOUT TOKIWA-SAN
HIROTO, ARE YOU FREE NEXT SUNDAY?
YEAH I'M FREE—
WOULD YOU ACCOMPANY ME?
SURE
WELL SEE YOU AT 2 O'CLOCK THEN
YEAH
ARE YOU OKAY?
TOKIWA-SAN?
...NH.
!

THAT'S RIGHT, HIROTO
YOU'VE DEFINITELY GROWN TALLER
WHAT'S WRONG?
AHH—
IT'S NOTHING
I'VE GOTTEN FARTHER AND FATHER AWAY FROM THE "NAOKI" THAT HE ONCE THOUGHT OF ME AS.
I HAVE COMPLETELY SURPASSED MY OLD SELF
SOMETIMES I WONDER
WHAT TOKIWA-SAN THINKS OF ME
chatter
chatter
chatter

TOKIWA-
SA-

I KNOW THAT I CAN'T STAY BY HIS SIDE ANY LONGER,
I WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY SATISFIED BEING HIS GOOD FRIEND.
NOW I KNOW AND UNDERSTAND,
SMILING LIKE THAT,
TAKUMA-SAN
THAT HE DOESN'T NEED ME ANYMORE
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN SUCH A HAPPY SMILE.
HIROTO!

LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE OKAY
THANK GOD...
TOKIWA-SAN...
HIROTO!
—WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
WE AGREED ON THAT MEETING,
WHY DIDN'T YOU SHOW UP?

I'LL NEVER EVER ABANDON HIM, BECAUSE HE'S IRREPLACEABLE.
FROM NOW ON
I WON'T GO ANYWHERE ELSE
HIROTO
I'VE NEVER LEAVE YOU AGAIN
I'M...
REALLY IN LOVE WITH YOU, TOKIWA-SAN
!
HIROTO!?
I COULDN'T DO IT AFTER ALL
...I'M SORRY.

I CAN'T DO IT ANY-MORE
I CAN'T LOSE YOU
TO-KIWA-SAN
ONE DAY,
IF YOU GET LOST,
I'LL WAIT FOR YOU TO COME BACK
BECAUSE I LOVE YOU SO MUCH
I'LL DEFINITELY WAIT FOR YOU

haa
TOKIWA-SAN
I'M SORRY I—
slide
cunip
HIROTO—
NH—
WAIT A SECOND
haa
AH—
AH
TOKIWA-SAN!
suck
suck

SORRY
WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZING?
I DO IT WILLINGLY BECAUSE I WANT TO
!
THEN I'LL DO IT TOO— TOKIWA-SAN
TOKIWA-SAN
LIFT YOUR LEGS A LITTLE HIGHER
NH!
HAA.

haa
AH...!
lick
suck
NNH...
WHEN DID YOU START, LIKING ME...?
lick
suck
haa
NH...
lick
splish
splish
WHEN DID YOU START?
splish
splish
WHEN I FIRST SAW YOU, I FELT SOMETHING INDESCRIBABLE
MAYBE BECAUSE YOU LOOKED SO MUCH LIKE HIM...
BUT,
HE DIED IN A CAR ACCIDENT, AND I HAD BEEN SO UNHAPPY,
I COULDN'T FORGET HIM, AND I PRAYED TO BE GIVEN ANOTHER CHANCE
WHEN I MET YOU I WAS SO HAPPY EVEN THOUGH I KNEW YOU WEREN'T HIM,
hch
I STILL TREATED YOU LIKE HIS SUBSTITUTE
I WAS AFRAID THAT ONCE YOU KNEW YOU'D LEAVE ME

I'LL NEVER LEAVE YOU
HIROTO
CAN WE REALLY CONTINUE WITH THIS?
OF COURSE
bare
Splish!
NH!
haa
HAA. AHH
NH AH!
haa
thrust
NGH

HEY, TOKIWA-SAN
Creak
haa
haa
WHAT'S WITH YOU AND SATORU?
Eh?
THERE'S NOTHING BETWEEN US
WHY DO YOU ASK?
BECAUSE THE TIME YOU MET YOU LOOKED REALLY HAPPY
ACTUALLY HE ACCOMPANIED ME TO PICK OUT A GIFT FOR YOU
I ASKED HIM FOR HIS HELP
AN
AHH!
rustle
rustle
SO WHEN THEY WERE TOGETHER,
THEY WERE PICKING OUT A GIFT FOR ME!
I misunderstood?
Really?
HERE
EH?
THAT SMILE,

WAS MEANT FOR ME
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HIROTO.
WE'VE HAD A LONG TIME WITHOUT,
AND NOW THE TWO OF US WILL ALWAYS BE TOGETHER FROM HERE ON
I LOVE YOU.

大人になっても◆END
When I grow up.♡ End

The fields in which we live
first part

AHH
NA AHH
The man in the video,
HAA NH
is someone I know.

creak
AHH... NH!
creak
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS VIDEO DOING AT MY PLACE?!
creak
AHH
splish
splish
LINNH!
creak
splish
NAGISA!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?
rattle
HUH, TAKAMORI-SAN?
WHAT HAPPENED?

'CUZ I WAS BORED, SO I JUST PLAYED IT TO SEE WHAT WAS ON IT
YOU... YOU WATCHED IT?
AHH!
WELL THE MAN IN THIS TAPE SURE LOOKS A LOT LIKE YOU...
SORRY ABOUT THAT!
HEH HEH
HOW DID IT END UP AT YOUR PLACE?
MY BAD...
THIS TAPE...
I WAS REALLY BROKE AT THAT TIME,
SO FOR A QUICK BUCK I HAD TO FILM SUCH VIDEOS
Although I know he's gay...
I still never thought he'd do these kinds of videos!

IF YOU NEED MONEY YOU CAN COME TO ME...
I WILL LEND IT TO YOU.
NO WAY. I'M ALWAYS SUCH A BOTHER TO YOU...
YOU DON'T THINK THIS IS A BIG DEAL?
Oh really?
HOW MUCH CASH DID YOU NEED?
WELL...
ABOUT TEN THOUSAND...
I'M A GUY SO IT'S NO BIG DEAL REALLY!
FOR ONLY TEN THOUSAND, YOU...?!
ARE THOSE INJURIES CAUSED BY HIM AGAIN?
HE'S REALLY GOING TOO FAR...
I GOT THESE WHEN I TRIPPED AND FELL!
IT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH YUU!!
QUIT MAKING EXCUSES FOR HIM!
DON'T GIVE ME SUCH A HALF-ASSED LIE!

HE'S BEEN SEEING YUUJI FOR A WHILE NOW, AND IS ALWAYS GETTING THRASHED, BUT HE WON'T TALK ABOUT IT.
I'M FINE.
STOP WORRYING ABOUT ME, TAKAMORI.
HOW CAN I NOT WORRY? WITH YOU SEEING SUCH AN ASSHOLE, I'M JUST WORRIED TO DEATH.
YUUJI HAS ALWAYS BEEN VERY KIND TO ME.
TAKAMORI, DON'T YOU HAVE STEM-CUTTING TO DO?
ERMM...
OH YEAH
JUST NOW WHEN I WENT SHOPPING,
I SAW YOUR LATEST RELEASE. IT'S WONDERFULLY WRITTEN
YOU SHOULD GO BACK TO WORK!

I met Nagisa on that day when he was hurt and I brought him home.
SO I BOUGHT ONE FOR MYSELF
YOU SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THE BOOK?
I'VE ONLY READ A LITTLE
WHEN I FINISH I'LL HAND YOU A REPORT!
click
click
click
These days he seems to have found some kind of part-time job.
However, he never tells me where he lives.
I was worried about his injuries so I let him stay on to recuperate.
He was just like an injured stray cat.

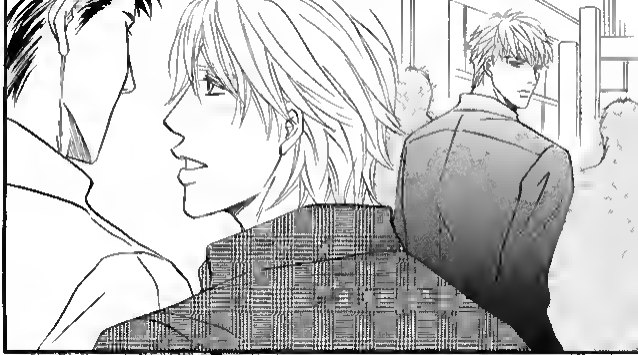
I'VE ALWAYS TREATED HIM AS IF HE WERE A YOUNGER BROTHER TO BE LOOKED AFTER...
TO THINK HE DID PORN FILMS FOR MONEY...
P
I WANT TO TELL YOU SOME-THING
When I saw his expression in that video, I really didn't know what to say!
THE TRUTH IS...
I...I'M GAY.

But truthfully I'm always bothered by the fact he's gay
When I see that other side of him, it always shocks me!
DO YOU WANT TO?
Don't even think about it!
I WON'T MAKE A MOVE ON YOU
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY
To his confession, I was very composed
He doesn't seem to be the same man that I know
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE
Shall I wrap it for you?
I'D LIKE THIS ONE PLEASE

NAGISA!
AH...

YEAH...
THAT'S RIGHT.
I DIDN'T THINK I'D MEET YOU HERE!
GOING SHOPPING?
TAKAMORI!

HEY,
GET OVER HERE
I'M ON A DATE!
UH...
WELL
WHAT ABOUT YOU...?
BYE BYE!
SURE THING...
CAN I...
GO OVER TO YOUR HOUSE SOME TIME?

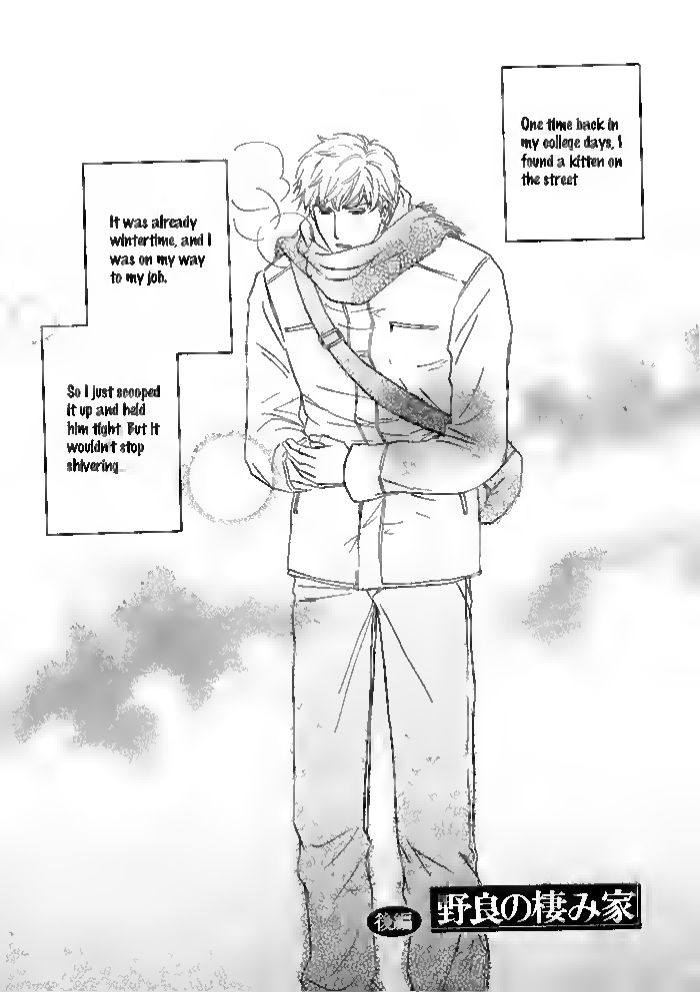


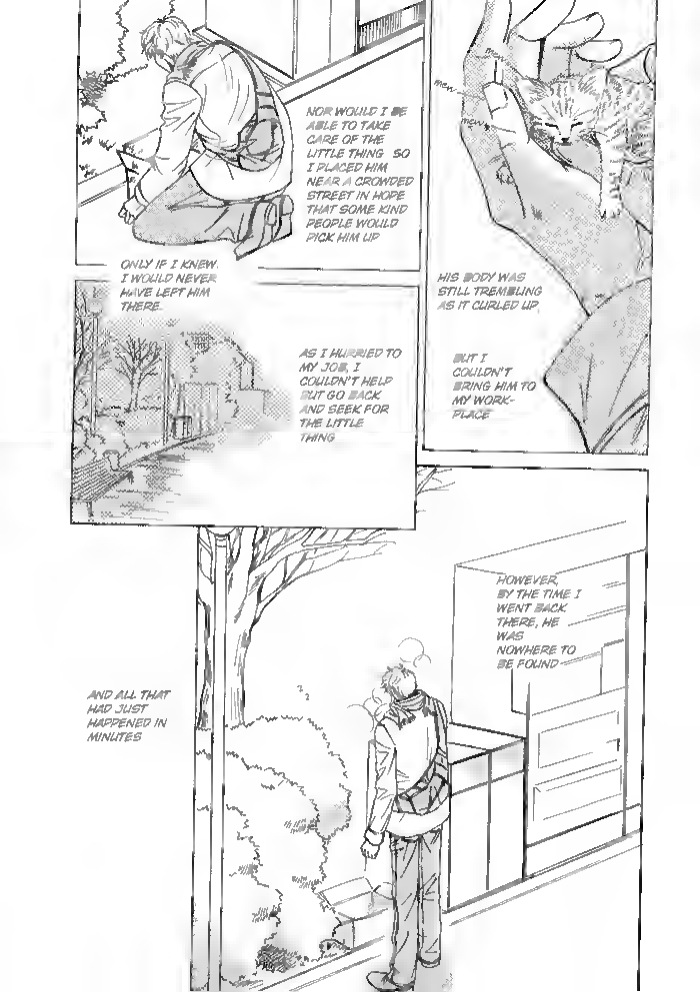
WHO'S THAT MAN JUST NOW?
EH? HE-
HE'S HELPED ME BEFORE
OH YEAH?
AND I THOUGHT HE WAS YOUR BOY-FRIEND
NO WAY,
TAKAMORI ISN'T GAY.

rattle
YO.
YOU'VE BROUGHT HIM?
ding dong
FORGET IT. NONE OF MY BUSINESS ANYWAY.
HERE WE ARE.
HUH?
ISN'T IT JUST THE TWO OF US...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
YUUJI?!
THE TAPE YOU DID LAST TIME SOLD REALLY WELL.
SO THESE GUYS ARE GONNA PAY DOUBLE FOR YOU TO DO IT AGAIN.

haa
HAA...
HNNN...
Splish
Splish
THE DRUG'S KICKED IN?
IS HE READY YET?
haa
haa
AREN'T THE TWO OF YOU TOGETHER?
YOU DON'T MIND?
HE'S TOTALLY WILLING
HE'LL DO ANY-THING I SAY... ANYWAY I DON'T CARE WHO HE FUCKS...
NHH...
tremble
BUT, NAGISA
haa
YOU STAY AWAY FROM HIM
nh

THAT PUNK WE SAW TODAY
HE PISSES ME OFF
YOU GOT THAT, NAGISA!
I'M NEVER LETTING YOU GO
YOU'RE MINE AS LONG AS I SAY SO
YUU JI!
DON'T YOU DARE SEE HIM AGAIN!
AH...
HHN!


One time back in my college days, I found a kitten on the street
It was already wintertime, and I was on my way to my job.
So I just scooped it up and held him tight. But it wouldn't stop shivering.
後編
野良の棲み家


NOR WOULD I BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE LITTLE THING. SO I PLACED HIM NEAR A CROWDED STREET IN HOPE THAT SOME KIND PEOPLE WOULD PICK HIM UP
mew...
mew...
HIS BODY WAS STILL TREMBLING AS IT CURLED UP.
BUT I COULDN'T BRING HIM TO MY WORK-PLACE.
ONLY IF I KNEW, I WOULD NEVER HAVE LEFT HIM THERE.
AS I HURRIED TO MY JOB, I COULDN'T HELP BUT GO BACK AND SEEK FOR THE LITTLE THING.
HOWEVER, BY THE TIME I WENT BACK THERE, HE WAS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND.
AND ALL THAT HAD JUST HAPPENED IN MINUTES.

WHY DID I FEEL REGRET?
I DON'T EVEN KNOW THE ANSWER MYSELF
I SHOULD'VE GUESSED SOMEONE WOULD HAVE TAKEN HIM
WHY DID I LEAVE HIM BACK THERE?
I SHOULD'VE TAKEN HIM HOME WITH ME BACK THEN
Wee look!
How cute!
EVEN THOUGH I REGRETTED IT, BUT THERE WAS NOTHING ELSE I COULD'VE DONE FOR IT.
WHEN I COULDN'T FIND HIM, I HAD TO TELL MYSELF THAT SOMEONE MUST HAVE PICKED HIM UP, BECAUSE THAT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO CONSOLE MYSELF.
SINCE NEITHER MY MYSELF NOR MY FRIENDS COULD TAKE HIM IN

ka-thunk
NAGISA?
OH...
TAKAMORI

I WAS LOOKING FOR YOU
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
ANYWAYS
rrrttle
I HAVE SOMETHING TO GIVE TO YOU
WHAT IS IT?
IT'S A CELL PHONE
IT WILL BE CONVENIENT FOR YOU TO HAVE ONE
SO YOU CAN CALL ME WHENEVER YOU NEED ME.
IT HAS LOTS OF RING TONES, TOO

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BUT, I...
DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY THE BILL
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT,
I WILL DEAL WITH THE BILLS
HEY, TAKAMORI
HMM?
I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS
SIGH
I MUST'VE DISTURBED YOU WORK
SORRY
NOT REALLY, TODAY'S MY DAY OFF
THEN LET ME TAKE YOU OUT FOR COFFEE

He's just like who he usually is.
But when he's with that guy he changes so completely.
click-
click-
click-
I'M CONCERNED ABOUT HIM.
TAKAMORI,
I'M BORED. COULD I TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR BOOKS?
TOWARDS HIM, I THINK I HAVE A SORT OF...
POSSESSIVE STREAK...

YOU REALLY HAVE A LOT OF BOOKS HERE.
THAT'S FINE
I WONDER IF I'M JEALOUS?
step
step
IT'S VERY COMFORTABLE READING HERE
slide

THANKS
THIS FEELING
HEY,
YOU'RE WELCOME HERE COME BACK ANY TIME
I WANT TO PROTECT HIM
TO ME HE S VERY FRAGILE, LIKE A DOLL THAT WILL SHATTER WHEN TOUCHED

I CAN'T TOUCH HIM
blink
blink
HNP
HAA
?
haa
!

NH...
NAGISA?
haa
HAA...
HAA...
TA-...
RI...

NAGISA
AH...
NAGISA!
DON'T GO...
SO-...RRY!
RATTLE

tremble
TAKA-MORI!
AH, NO!
hug
!!
DON'T RUN AWAY OKAY
shake
NHH!
hug
I CAN'T
PLEASE LET GO OF ME

SLAM
I'M SO SORRY!
DAMN I MADE HIM CRY
NAGISA!
WHAT AM I DOING
I CAN'T BELIEVE I DID THAT TO HIM!

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After that I didn't see Nanisa for a while.
I was really worried.
I couldn't find him at all.
THEN I'LL TRUST WAIT FOR YOUR NEXT ONE
bored
SUGA-SENSEI, WHAT'S WRONG?
THAT GUY...
ISN'T THAT YUUJI!?

RATTLE
AH! SUGA-SENSEI?
I'LL BE BACK
I'm just hoping that Nagisa's safe and sound
Family
step
step
HOW DARE YOU NOT LISTEN TO ME!
I ALREADY SAID I DON'T WANT THIS, YUUJI!

YUUJI
DID NAGISA TELL YOU?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM HIM?
!
TAKAMORI!? HOW DID YOU GET HERE...!?

NAGISA
ARE YOU REALLY NOT BOTHERED BY ALL THIS?
NAGISA, YOUR INJURIES
YOU STAY AWAY FROM NAGISA!
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS

YUUJI!
I
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS!
COME ON NAGISA
YUUJI! I DON'T WANT TO
WAIT!
WHERE ARE YOU TAKING HIM?
YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW HUH?
I'M TAKING HIM TO FILM A PORN VIDEO
SINCE YUUJI ENJOYS IT SO MUCH,
AND THERE'S MONEY TO BE EARNED, WHAT'S WRONG?

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OH
BESIDES,
THUD
LOOK
THESE ARE THE BOOKS YOU'VE WRITTEN? HE BOUGHT A WHOLE SHIT-LOAD OF THEM!
OTHER THAN PORN VIDEOS,
HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ELSE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
YOU WON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND! IT'S A WASTE OF GOOD MONEY!
HE SPENDS MONEY ON THIS SHIT, WHAT A WASTE
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO THROW THEM AWAY!

grab
AH, I'M SORRY. THESE ARE YOUR BOOKS?
MONEY IS MORE USEFUL THAN THESE BOOKS
YUUJI!
STOP IT!!
NAGISA!!
KICK
YOU ONLY HAVE EYES FOR MONEY!
COR-RECT! AND NAGISA WILL HELP ME EARN IT!
LET'S GO, NAGISA!!

BAM
TAKAMORI!!!
HOW DARE YOU HIT ME!
NAGISA, COME BACK WITH ME
UNLESS
YOU'D RATHER STAY WITH HIM?

YEAH
TAKAMORI
DON'T JUST THINK YOU CAN LEAVE LIKE THIS!
GOODBYE, YUUJI

THANK YOU, TAKAMORI
I'M FINE NOW
NAGISA,
HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS THERE?
I FOLLOWED YUUJI
YOUR FACE IS SWOLLEN
THIS SHOULD STOP THE SWELLING
TAKAMORI YOU'RE SO CLEVER.
NAGISA
OH,
OKAY

HE WAS SO VIOLENT
WHY?
WHY WERE YOU WITH HIM?
HE WASN'T ALWAYS LIKE THIS
HE USED TO BE SO GENTLE WHEN WE STARTED OFF TOGETHER
AND AT THAT TIME
I WAS PRETTY LONELY
THERE WAS NO WHERE I COULD GO
SO WHEN HE SAID HE WANTED TO BE WITH ME I WAS SO HAPPY
BUT...

I DEFINITELY WOULDN'T HIT YOU
EH?
BUT TAKAMORI
stammer
WHAT IF I SAID I WANT TO BE WITH YOU?
WHAT WOULD YOUR ANSWER BE?
I'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU
Bluuuush
TAKA-MORI
PLEASE LET GO

TAK...
KISS
MMNN
HOW CAN YOU DO THIS
I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO ANSWER YOU
haa
KISS
IF YOU DON'T WANT THIS, I'LL LET GO IMMEDIATELY.
OTHERWISE I WANT YOU TO PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL NEVER LEAVE ME.
BUT I...
I'VE ALWAYS

AHH...
NHH
IF YOU WANT IT, THEN DON'T HOLD BACK ANY LONGER
DON'T GO BACK TO HIM
STAY WITH ME
!
TAKAMORI
I CAN'T
tremble
AHH...!
tremble
glide
AHH

HOW ABOUT IT?
PLEASE SAY YES
I REALLY
DON'T WANT TO LET YOU GO
TAKAMORI
TAKAMORI!

MAYBE I'VE ALWAYS BEEN WAITING FOR HIM TO COME TO ME
I KNEW THAT HE ALREADY HAD A PLACE IN MY HEART
WELCOME HOME..

dearest
SHINA? ARE YOU READY?
IT'S ABOUT TO BEGIN
knock knock
How the hell do I do this?
YEAH
But,
I'M NOT DONE WITH THE TIE YET
heh
LET ME HELP YOU

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Not a wedding either...
AND I DIDN'T GO TO ANY CEREMONY
THE UNIFORM DIDN'T COME WITH A TIE
slide
slide
THERE YOU GO
DIDN'T YOU DRESS LIKE THIS FOR YOUR ORIENTATION CEREMONY?
WHAT ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM?
slip
IT GETS ME ALL NERVOUS WHEN I'M DRESSED LIKE THIS
smish
pull
THANKS
I LOOK JUST LIKE SOME SALARY-MAN!
HE'S GOOD WITH THE TIE!

KANAE-SAN CHOSE THIS TIE ESPECIALLY FOR ME
IT'S MY FIRST TIE EVER
BECAUSE TODAY, MICHIRU-SAN IS GETTING MARRIED
WAIT A SECOND
SHINA, TURN AROUND
YEAH
IT REALLY LOOKS GREAT ON YOU

WOW! SHE'S BEAUTI-FUL!
IT'S BEEN SIX YEARS SINCE I FIRST MET THE BRIDEGROOM WHILE WORKING
HE PROPOSED!
THAT WAS HOW SHE BROKE IT TO US

A WEDDING IS TRULY SOMETHING SPECIAL

THERE'S KANAE SAN
HE LOOKS REALLY HAPPY
AND NOT THE TROUBLED STATE HE SEEMS TO BE IN LATELY
FOR SO LONG AS I SHALL LIVE
I LOVE AND CHERISH YOU
Please say your vows.
chatter
KANAE-SAN...
chatter

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I ONLY JUST SAW HIM
Honestly
YOU SHOULD HAVE INTRODUCED THEM PROPERLY.
SHINA,
?
LET'S LEAVE
EHH!?
TAKE CARE YOU TWO!
KANAE-SAN'S FATHER IS HERE?
BUT THE PARTY HAS JUST STARTED!
NO ONE WILL NOTICE.
PLUS I'VE GREETED EVERYONE
I'LL GO GET READY
IT'S SO LIKE HIM
SHINA-KUN,
YES?

Hump
Hump
Hump
MICHIRU'S TOLD ME ALL ABOUT YOU
MICHIRU'S TOLD ME ALL ABOUT YOU
H- HOW DO YOU DO?
AH...
ISN'T THAT KANAE'S FATHER?!
KANAE'S REALLY IMPOSING ON YOU
I'VE WANTED TO MEET YOU FOR SOME TIME
SO IT'S LIKE THAT...
THERE'S ONLY KANAE LEFT...
NOW THAT MICHIRU HAS FOUND HER LIFE-PARTNER,
SO, MICHIRU CARED FOR HIM IN HER MOTHER'S STEAD
MY WIFE DIED EARLY AND KANAE WAS A SICKLY CHILD WITHOUT ENOUGH CARE

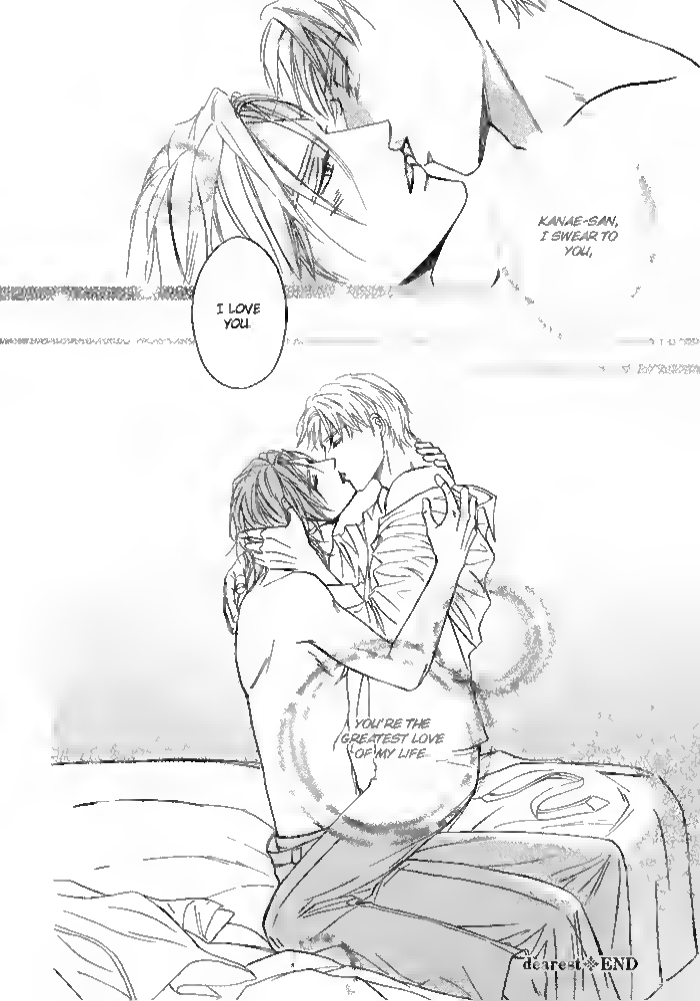
I KNOW KANAE MUST HAVE BEEN QUITE A HANDFUL FOR YOU...
BUT, I STILL HOPE,
THAT YOU WILL TREAT HIM WELL.
Ah!
YES!
I WILL!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.
Ah!
PLEASE DON'T STAND ON CERE-MONY!
thump
thump
thump
thump
KANAE'S GOING TO NAG IF HE SEES ME LIKE THIS.
No,
THIS IS A LOAD OFF MY MIND.
DAD, WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
Excuse me.
I'M GLAD WE MET.
LET'S HAVE A NICE TALK ANOTHER TIME.

chatter
chatter
sigh
BECAUSE KANAE-SAN AND I ARE LOVERS, IT GETS SO AWKWARD WHEN I MEET THEM
WHENEVER I MEET KANAE-SAN'S FAMILY I GET SO ANXIOUS I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO THEM
YET HIS FATHER AND SISTER DON'T SEEM TO MIND
step
KANAE-SAN
HMM?
WHAT WOULD LIKE YOU EAT? LET'S GO TOGETHER

DO YOU DISLIKE YOUR FATHER?
NOT AT ALL
HE CARES VERY DEEPLY FOR HIS CHILDREN AND ALWAYS TREATS US LIKE WE'RE STILL KIDS
DO YOU GET ALONG WELL?
UHN BUT I'M ALWAYS HURTING HIS FEELINGS, AND WORRYING HIM SO MUCH
SHINA?!
WHY ARE YOU--? SOMEONE
I'M STARVING RIGHT NOW,

I WANNA EAT YOU ALL UP
SOUNDS GOOD
YOU BOUND THIS SO TIGHTLY
IT'S HARD TO WORK LOOSE
BEING A SALARYMAN SURE IS TOUGH
BUT YOU LOOK SO ATTRACTIVE IN IT
YOU THINK SO?
YOU OVER-ESTIMATE ME
I'M WORRIED I'LL HAVE SOME NEW LOVE RIVAL
SHINA,
?

IF I ONLY KNEW THEN JUST HOW MUCH
I'M CRAZY ABOUT HIM,
I NEVER KNEW THESE FEELINGS COULD EXSIST
I LOVE YOU SO MUCH
SO DO I
IF I LOST HIM, I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D DO
EACH DAY AFTER-WARDS WOULD BE TOO PAINFUL
I JUST WANT KANAE TO LIVE HAPPILY
BUT I'M NOT SURE WE CAN HAVE AN ETERNITY,
I LOVE SEEING HIS SMILE
SO FOR NOW, I'LL STAY BY HIS SIDE
I'LL GIVE MY ALL TO MAKE HIM HAPPY NO MATTER, WHAT STANDS IN MY WAY, I'M NOT AFRAID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I LOVE YOU.
YOU'RE THE GREATEST LOVE OF MY LIFE.
dearest END